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Verdant Power, LLC

Project No. 12611-010

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Comments, Protests, and Motions to Intervene

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. Type of Proceeding: Extension of Pilot License Term

b. Project No.: P-12611-010

c. Date Filed: December 29, 2017

d. Licensee: Verdant Power, LLC

- e. Name and Location of Project: Roosevelt Island Tidal Energy Project, located on the East River in New York County, New York.
- f. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791a-825r.
- g. Licensee Contact Information: Mr. Ronald F. Smith, President and Chief Operating Officer, Verdant Power, LLC, P.O. Box 282, Roosevelt Island, New York, New York, 10044. Phone: (703) 328-6841.
- h. FERC Contact: Mr. Mark Pawlowski, (202) 502-6052, mark.pawlowski@ferc.gov.
- i. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests is February 20, 2018. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene, protests, comments, and recommendations, using the Commission's eFiling system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-12611-010.

- j. Description of Proceeding: The licensee seeks Commission approval to extend the current 10-year term of the pilot license for the Roosevelt Island Tidal Energy Project by five years. The current term of the pilot license expires December 31, 2021. The licensee wants to extend the term so it expires on December 31, 2026. The licensee states it is ready to install the first phase of the licensed project and that the extension is warranted because installation will result in operational data, which will inform the subsequent phases of the pilot license, as well as relicensing the project. Concurrent with the licensee's request for a five-year extension, the licensee filed a Notice of Intent (NOI) to relicense the pilot project and a request that the Commission waive certain deadlines, as required by the Commission's regulations for filing the Pre-Application Document. Should the Commission grant the licensee's request for a five-year extension of its licensee term, the Commission would dismiss the licensee's NOI and request for waiver.
- k. This notice is available for review and reproduction at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, Room 2A, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. The filing may also be viewed on the Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the Docket number (P-12611-010) excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the notice. You may also register online at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.
- 1. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.
- m. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, and .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.
- n. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents: Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title COMMENTS, PROTEST, or MOTION TO INTERVENE as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). All comments, motions to intervene, or protests should relate to the request to extend the license term. Agencies may obtain copies of the

application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. If an intervener files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

DATED: January 18, 2018

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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